

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Eric TRINQUET et al.

Examiner: Mark Staples

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Title: FLUORESCENT ENTITY COMPRISING A FLUOROPHORE COVALENTLY  
ATTACHED TO AT LEAST ONE OLIGONUCLEOTIDE AD COMPRISING  
AT LEAST ONE FUNCTIONAL GROUP, AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed June 23, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.